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Scheme was deferred in view of the present financial stringency. If the Scheme had been taken up, the entire non-recurring expenditure would be met by the State Government and the recurring expenditure would be shared by the Indian Central Coconut Committee and the State Government on 50 : 50 basis. The receipts from the Scheme would be shared by the Indian Central Coconut Committee and the State Government on a 40 : 60 basis.

" (b) The Government of India offered a grant of Rs. 12,800 being their share of the net recurring expenditure on the Scheme for the entire period of the Scheme after deducting their share, viz., 40 per cent of the total receipts."

* 1188 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" I am not putting the question, Sir."

Acquisition of house-sites for Harijans in municipal areas.

* 1189 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that house-sites for Harijans are not acquired in municipal areas; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) Does not arise."

Assignment of lands to stone cutters for quarrying purpose in Chirakkal taluk.

* 1190 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state— 12 noon.

(a) whether the Government have received any representations recently from the stone cutters of Government poramboke quarry and other quarries in Mangatparamba, Taliparamba firka, Chirakkal taluk, requesting permission to cut stones from Government quarries in neighbouring villages and reduction in assessment; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) Yes, Sir. Only one representation has been received from the stone cutters of Andoor amsam and desam, North Malabar, requesting allotment of lands in R.S. No. 76 in Mangattu paramba for quarrying *or*, in the alternative, to exempt them from paying the rent due to Government, since they will have to quarry in private lands.

" (b) The land in R.S. No. 76 of Mangattu paramba has been reserved for growing grass for the use of the villagers and is not therefore available for allotment. It is also not possible